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UNITED STATES ATTORNEY REPORTS WEEKLY RESULTS OF ST. LOUIS REGIONAL CEASEFIRE INITIATIVE

St. Louis, Missouri: The following represents the prosecution activities under the St. Louis Regional Ceasefire Initiative, a component of the Bush Administration's Project Safe Neighborhoods Program, United States Attorney Catherine L. Hanaway announced today.

These cases are the result of the collaborative efforts of federal and local law enforcement including the U.S. Attorney's Office, the St. Louis City Circuit Attorney's Office, the St. Louis County Prosecutor's Office, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF), the U.S. Marshal's Service, the Drug Enforcement Administration, the St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department and the St. Louis County Police Department.

This week's results of Project Safe Neighborhood/Ceasefire are as follows:

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ALPHONSO HEMMEAIN, 26, 3700 block of Chippewa, St. Louis, 63115, was sentenced to 120 months prison on one felony count of possession with intent to distribute in excess of five grams of crack cocaine and one felony count of carrying a firearm durign and in relation to a drug trafficking crime.

BILLY J. FORD, 35, 5800 block of Selber Ct., St. Louis, 63136, was sentenced to 96 months prison on one felony count of being a previously convicted felon in possession of a firearm.

TIMOTHY D. JOHNSON, 21, 1100 block of North 16th Street, St. Louis, was sentenced to 71 months prison on one felony count of being a previously convicted felon in possession of a firearm.

GLENN HOLMES, 26, 4200 block of Farlin, St. Louis, 63115, was sentenced to 27 months prison on one felony count of being a previously convicted felon in possession of a firearm.

ANTHONY WILLIAMS, 46, 4200 block of Maffitt Avenue, St. Louis, 63133, was sentenced to 21 months prison on one felony count of being a previously convicted felon in possession of a firearm.

MICHAIL GRIDIRON, 19, 3600 block of Cote Brillante Avenue, St. Louis, 63113, was sentenced to 18 months prison on one felony count of possession of a sawed-off shotgun.

TAYLOR JAMES BLOATE, 45, 5000 block of Werner, St. Louis, 63108, was convicted of one felony count of being a previously convicted felon in possession of a firearm and one felony count of possession with intent to distribute more than 5 grams of crack cocaine. He now faces a penalty range of five to 40 years in prison and/or fines up to \$2,000,000.